IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

ANDREW J. DANNENBERG

Of Strong Art Unit: 1617

Patent Application No.: 09/554,604

Examiner: S. Wang

Filed: May 31, 2000

For: CYCLOOXYGENASE-2 INHIBITION

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above identified application.

- (X) No additional fee is required.
- () An extension of a shortened statutory time for response under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is requested.
- (X) This application has small entity status.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
	Claims	Highest		RA	Amount		
	Remaining after Amend.	Number Paid For	Extra	Large Entity	Small Entity		
No. of Claims in Excess of 20				18.00	9.00		
Independent Claims in Excess of 3				84.00	42.00		
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims				280.00	140.00		
Extension Fee () One month () Two Months () Three Months () Four Months () Five Months				110.00 400.00 920.00 1,440.00 1,960.00	55.00 200.00 460.00 720.00 980.00		

TOTAL FEE		\$	NONE
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()	Charg	ge \$ to Deposit Account No. 10-1213. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.				
(X)	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-1213. Aduplicate of this sheet is enclosed.					
	(X)	Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.				
	(X)	Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.				
		Respectfully submitted,				

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This is in response to the Office Action of November 15, 2001.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claim 1 to be as follows:

1 (amended). A method of treating a patient with a liver disease comprising administering to said patient a cyclooxygenase-2 inhibiting amount of a selective inhibitor of cyclooxygenase-2 without administration of leukotriene B₄ receptor antagonist.

Amend Claim 3 to be as follows:

3 (amended). A method of treating a patient affected with liver disease selected from the group consisting of chronic viral hepatitis B, chronic viral hepatitis C, alcoholic liver injury and nonalcoholic steatohepatitis, comprising administering to said patient a cyclooxygenase-2 inhibiting amount of a selective inhibitor of cyclooxygenase-2.

